

Marine Wildlife Sightings-Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary

Field Seminar Oct 1, 2006

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New Sea Angler: Porto Bodega 7am-5pm

Weather: Calm, Glassy all day

these numbers are only estimates and do not represent the actual numbers of observed individuals counted

Cetaceans-Baleen Whales

Gray Whale	
Humpback Whale	30-45, many groups of 2-4 whales. Many 10+ breaching, 1 lunge feeding, lots of anchovies feeding with sea lions and birds
Blue Whale	
Minke Whale	
Fin Whale	
Other	

Toothed Whales

Bottlenose Dolphin	
Common Dolphin	
Pacific White-sided	
Northern Right Whale Dolphin	
Risso's Dolphin	
Harbor Porpoise	About 10
Dall's Porpoise	40+
Other	

Seals and Sea Lions

N. Elephant Seal	Maybe one, not confirmed in ID
Harbor Seal	5+

Sea Lions

CA Sea Lion	100's
Steller Sea Lion	2
Guadalupe Fur Seal	
Northern Fur Seal	1
Other	

Fish

Ocean Sunfish (<i>Mola mola</i>)	3
Blue Shark	1
Other	Schooling baitfish (anchovies or sardines) on the surface

Birds-Loons and Grebes

Red-throated Loon	
Pacific Loon	
Common Loon	1
Red-necked Grebe	
Eared Grebe	
Western Grebe	5

Clarke's Grebe	1
Other	

Tubenoses

Black-footed Albatross	
Northern Fulmar	10
Buller's Shearwater	50
Pink-footed Shearwater	Less than 75
Black-vented Shearwater	
Sooty Shearwater	10
Leach's Storm-Petrel	
Ashy Storm-Petrel	10
Other	
Other	

Pelican's and Cormorants

Brown Pelican	100's
Double-Crested Cormorant	100's
Pelagic Cormorant	
Brandt's Cormorant	100's
Other:	

Shorebirds

Black Oystercatcher	
Red Phalarope	
Red-necked Phalarope	10
<i>Other</i>	

Gulls and Terns

Parasitic Jaeger	
Pomarine Jaeger	
South Polar Skua	1
Bonaparte's Gull	
California Gull	10
Herring Gull	< 10
Thayer's Gull	
Glaucous-winged Gull	
Western Gull	100's
Heerman's Gull	10
Sabine's Gull	10
Black-legged Kittiwake	
Caspian Tern	
Elegant Tern	
Common Tern	
Forster's Tern	5
<i>Other</i>	

Alcids

Common Murre	100's
Pigeon Guillemot	

Ancient Murrelet	
Marbled Murrelet	
Cassin's Auklet	
Rhinoceros Auklet	100's
Tufted Puffin	2

Other Birds:

Owl-1 flying towards land from offshore! (maybe barn, not confirmed)

Song Bird (unidentified yellow/green) 1

Turkey Vulture 1, Black Turnstone-1, Belted Kingfisher-1

Brewers blackbirds-50, starlings-50

Great Blue Heron-2, Great Egret-1, Black crowned night heron-1